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Listed U.S. Patent No. 5,224,181 was cited in the listed Chinese Office Action, which Office Action was issued by the Chinese Patent Office on July 8, 2005 in Chinese Patent Application No. 2004100307213.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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